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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Cuban reciprocity treaty was considered yesterday by the Senate in executive session. —— Appropriation bills were considered and passed by the House. —— Arguments in the trial of Wilcox for the murder of Miss Cropsey were concluded yesterday; the case will go to the jury this forenoon. —— The birthday of Gen. R. E. Lee was generally observed as a holiday in the South. —— Wm. E. Mickle, of Mobile, has been elected adjutant general of the United Confederate Veterans. —— Call has been issued for a conference of yarn spinners in Charlotte, N. C., January 27th. —— U. S. Minister Bowen, from Venezuela, arrived at Charleston, S. C., yesterday and left for Washington, D. C. —— Editor Gonzales died at one o'clock yesterday afternoon from the pistol shot wound inflicted by Lieut. Gov. Tillman, of South Carolina. —— Troops of the Sultan of Morocco, have defeated the pretender's forces. —— A freight engine on the New York Central railroad blew up last night, killing the engineer and fireman. —— The steamer Lahn grounded near Gibaltar; among her passengers is Richmond Pearson. —— Fire broke out on the steamer Maine soon after leaving New York for Bremen; the vessel returned to quarantine and the fire was extinguished and the steamer again sailed. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 4@4½ per cent; cotton—steady at 9 00c; flour was firm and higher; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 82½c.; corn—spot firm, No. 2 60c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 43c; rosin—quiet; spirits turpentine quiet at 60½@61c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 19.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 29 degrees; 8 P. M., 36 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 36 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, trace; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 2.35 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; slowly rising temperature; fresh northeast winds becoming southeast.

Port Almanac—January 20.

Sun Rises	7.08 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.15 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 07 M.
High Water at Southport	1.37 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	3.57 P. M.

Somebody has been telling a marvellous story about a Kentuckian who had a bottle of whiskey 42 years old. The bottle may have been that old.

The members of the Missouri Legislature are to be provided with 220 clerks at $3.50 a day. A nice thing for the fellow who can't read or write.

President Castro says the blockade should be raised pending the arbitration proceedings, and so do we. Castro will probably raise a howl if it isn't.

The Pennsylvania railroad will have six tracks between New York and Philadelphia, which will cost $10,000,000. This will give people a pretty good chance to get out of Philadelphia.

At the annual bull fight in Juarez, Mexico, the bull got away with the banderillo and the Greasers yelled in their jargon "bully for the bull." The bull cornered his man and spiked him with his horns.

A Milwaukee company is building three ice-crushing boats to keep navigation open in the Straits of Mackinaw. They will cost $400,000 each and are equipped with rams that run under the ice, plow it up and throw it to each side.

A millionaire Bridgeport woman wants to get back $1,000 which she paid a nice young man for breaking a hoodoo spell which somebody had put on her to get away with her million. He got away with her thousand and at last accounts was staying away.

Some one who had time to burn has figured out that it costs $503,600,000 to operate the steam railroads of this country, but if the same amount of work was done by men and horses it would cost $11,908,500,000. But men and horses couldn't do it at any price.

New Jersey, which seems to have a sort of trust on the trust organizing business, is making so much money out of them that she may soon stop levying taxes and declare a dividend. But before she does that she should pay her school teachers decent salaries.

What some of the Boston lawyers don't understand is why another assistant should be appointed to the U. S. District Attorney in Boston, when he already has two assistants and not work enough to keep either of them busy.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The white public schools of the city observed half holiday yesterday in honor of the birthday of Gen. Lee.

— A small fire, caused by a defective flue, called the department to 115 Dock street at 12:15 P. M. yesterday. The damage was about $20.

— A thoroughly competent compositor accustomed to newspaper work may secure employment by applying at the STAR office.

— The cutter *Tuscarora* went down the river yesterday morning for a cruise along the coast.

— Pitcher Stewart, of Union county, late of Wilmington, will coach the Wake Forest baseball team this season.

— Sunday afternoon Grace M. E. Sunday school received a collection of $100 for its library fund. The enrollment of pupils at Grace school is now 353.

— Mr. Jno. VanB. Metts, the live insurance man, is sending by mail to his friends and patrons, copies of an exceedingly catchy little calendar for the new year.

— The schooners *Carolyn and Roamer*, consigned to C. D. Maffit, arrived yesterday from New River, the first named with a cargo of naval stores and the *Roamer* with a cargo of cotton seed.

— A boy who wishes to learn the printing trade may secure employment by applying at the STAR Job Office. One who has had some experience feeding presses preferred. Must be a resident of the city.

— The steamer *Geo. W. Clyde* arrived to day from New York but will make no trip to Georgetown, S. C., this week. She will go direct to Jacksonville, Fla., and from there to take up the run on the Boston line. The *Carib* comes here in the *Clyde's* place this week.

— The STAR returns its thanks to the Diamond Steamboat and Wrecking Co. for a valuable calendar giving much local data about the tides, sun, moon, etc., that makes it indispensable in newspaper offices. The calendar is a handsome one and is highly appreciated by all into whose hands it falls.

WILMINGTON'S NEW TOBACCO MARKET

Canvass of This Territory Reveals Bright Prospects—The Acreage.

As a result of the recent canvass of a large territory in this section of Eastern North Carolina by Mr. James Dodd, an agent of the Wilmington Tobacco Warehouse Company, 495 farmers, in a radius of 100 miles of Wilmington, have promised to cultivate 2,100 acres of tobacco during the coming year. This section, which was canvassed by Mr. Dodd, has raised very little, if any, tobacco in former years. A large majority of the farmers each agreed to plant at least four acres in the yellow leaf, while not a few said they would plant six and eight acres. Literature relative to the growth and curing of the weed is being furnished free of cost to the new growers by the warehouse company.

Next season's tobacco market gives abundant promise. Present indications are that sales will run nearly up to two million pounds. Manager Gibbons, of the company, is assisting in the canvass among the planters and is doing faithful and efficient work.

NAVAL RECRUITING STATION HERE.

Lieut. Louis C. Richardson, a Popular U. S. N. Officer, is in Charge—Ratings.

Lieutenant Louis C. Richardson, Surgeon Charles H. DeLancey and Coxswain H. G. Jacklin, United States Navy, arrived in the city Sunday night from Raleigh and yesterday opened a recruiting office in the postoffice building for the enlistment of young men in the following ratings: Seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen for training, apprentices, machinists, carpenters, shipwrights, coal passers, electricians, yeomen (clerks), hospital apprentices, mess attendants, cooks and bakers.

Lieut. Richardson is one of the most popular men in the service. He is a native of South Carolina, having been born and reared in Greenville, that State. Graduating from the Naval Academy in 1897, he served during the war on Admiral Sampson's flagship, the *New York*. As an ensign, he went out on the *Aberenda*, and for nearly three years lived aboard that vessel just off Samoa. His friends tell of an interesting little romance that was his during his service about that country.

Coast Line Conductors.

A committee of Atlantic Coast Line conductors from the C. R. C. were here yesterday for a conference with General Manager Kenly. Among those here were Capts. Thomas H. Harllee, of Florence; P. W. Jones, of Richmond; J. G. Kornegay, of Goldsboro, and W. A. Eason, of Charleston.

— Mr. W. B. Bowden was able to be out yesterday for the first time after a severe indisposition with la grippe.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Masonic—Meeting Wil. Lodge.
Academy of Music—Mabel Paige.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Diamond brooch.
J. G. Wagner—Dog to exchange.

ARGUMENT TO JURY.

Testimony Has Closed in the Ed. Utley Murder Trial at Fayetteville.

THE PLEA OF INSANITY.

Many Testified to Defendant's Irresponsibility When Under the Influence of Liquor—Young Man Did Not Wish Memory Exposed.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 19.—At the opening of court this morning in the Utley trial, the judge ordered the jury's retirement from the room and Col. Broadfoot, of the defence, stated that the weighty responsibility devolved upon him of addressing the court on a weighty matter. When Mr. Robinson read to the jury on Saturday an abstract of what the defence expected to prove, the defendant, overcome, had wilted in his chair. On adjournment of court, the defendant had asked a conference with his counsel and had emphatically stated that he would suffer any fate rather than to have the ashes and memory of the dead and history of his family brought up for public view, and he insisted that the abstract be withdrawn from the jury, as having been presented without his knowledge or consent. The abstract was withdrawn and the defence proceeded on the plea of not guilty in the ordinary acceptation of the term.

J. W. Plummer, Kyle Pemberton, Frank Douglass and J. H. Benton were examined as to the defendant's condition of drunkenness on the night of the homicide.

Dr. T. D. Haigh, H. Lutterloh, Dr. H. W. Lilly, D. N. McLean, E. J. Lilly, H. R. Horne, A. B. Williams and A. H. Slocomb testified that, as compared with other men, Utley, when drunk, was incapable of a fixed idea, was irrational, sober in body, drunk in head, nervous, restless and not amenable to reason, rowdyish and disorderly, irresponsible.

This closed the case of the defendant. Argument for the State was opened by H. L. Cook, Esq. His speech reviewed the evidence and insisted that the testimony of Jones, Black and Moore showed malice, motive, deliberation; that the evidence of Simeon Council alone, without other evidence, would show murder in the second degree. With the testimony of Black, Jones, Moore and others it made it murder in the first degree. His speech was concluded at 5 o'clock and court took a recess.

38TH COMPANY LEAVES THURSDAY.

Capt. David Price Has Arrived and Taken Command—A Popular Officer.

Capt. David Price, of Fort Getty, S. C., who was recently assigned to command of the 38th Company, Coast Artillery, which has been ordered from Fort Caswell to the Philippines, arrived in the city Sunday and expects to leave Thursday with his company for San Francisco, from whence it will sail with other companies on a transport about Feb. 1st. The route will be over the Seaboard Air Line to Richmond, over the B. & O. to Cincinnati, thence to St. Louis by the Big 4, and over the Santa Fe to 'Frisco.

Capt. Price is an exceedingly popular man in the service. He has been stationed at Fort Getty four years and has a wife and little daughter there, who will join him in Manila next September. During Capt. Price's command at Fort Getty he was largely instrumental in the expenditure of $800,000 there in improvements and necessarily feels a reluctance in leaving. Sergeant Leary, of the 38th, is a personal friend of Capt. Price and served with him many years. They now go back in the same company.

For four years Capt. Price was commandant of the Virginia Military Institute, at Richmond, and naturally claims the South as his home.

Entertained at Meyland's.

Mr. B. F. Keith and party of Boston, Collector Keith, Capt. C. H. Holtum, Messrs. R. H. and James H. Cowan, H. L. Vollers, T. W. Clawson and James K. Collier were guests of Mr. Keith, of Wilmington, at an oyster supper last night at Meyland's Cafe. The luscious bivalves were served in most approved manner and the party thoroughly enjoyed the collation. Earlier in the evening the Messrs. Keith and their party were guests of Messrs. Cowan Bros. at the Academy of Music during the Kathryn Kidder performance.

The City of Fayetteville.

The steamer *City of Fayetteville* did not arrive yesterday as was expected, owing to the fact that no Cape Fear pilot was at Fayetteville to accompany her down. The steamer will leave Fayetteville to-day and will probably reach here this evening. Capt. Jeff Bradshaw, of the *Highlander*, went up to Fayetteville yesterday to come down with Capt. Albert Worth, who is now the steamer's master.

Tillman Feeling in Florence.

Yesterday afternoon's Florence *Times* says of the Tillman-Gonzales affair: "There is no disposition to refuse to grant the man who struck the blow a fair trial, though the indignation of the people expresses itself in hanging in effigy, and again last night in putting up a fanciful grave headboard, with the inscription, 'Here lies the body of Jim Tillman; after hanging he is lying still.'"

THE SENATORIAL SITUATION.

Rumor That Craig Would Withdraw Met With a Prompt Denial—The Red Men's Bazaar Opened.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 19.—It was rumored here to-day that Locke Craig would withdraw from the fight for the Senatorship to-morrow night. However, Craig made a statement to-night to the effect that he had no idea of getting out of the race. A close friend declares Craig's chances especially good. He says Craig is second choice of a large number of those who are now voting for one or another of the other candidates. Little, if any change, is really expected in the voting to-morrow night when the caucus meets.

The first formal joint ballot by the Assembly at noon to morrow will be nothing but a formal compliance with the law, requiring the first ballot to be taken on the second Tuesday of the session.

The State Red Men's Bazaar was formally opened by Adjutant General B. S. Royster to-night in an eloquent address. William Sheehan and others are here from Wilmington and brought a donation of $60 in cash from the Wilmington lodges and a number of handsome articles to be disposed of during the fair.

CAPTAIN HOLTUM ENTERTAINED.

Party of Distinguished Theatrical Guests at Luncheon Yesterday Afternoon.

Capt. C. H. Holtum, of the good ship *Polana*, which is lying at the wharves of the Champion Compress, entertained a distinguished party at luncheon from 4 to 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The steamer, which is one of the most handsome of the many that come to this port, was even prettier than usual yesterday in its patriotic and pleasing decorations in honor of General Lee's birthday.

The party was received in most hospitable manner by Capt. Holtum, those who partook of the hospitality having been Mr. B. F. Keith, the noted theatrical manager of Boston, Mrs. Keith and their party of friends from the North; Collector B. F. Keith and wife, of this city, Mr. Munroe Salisbury, leading man, and Mr. P. M. Cooley, business manager, of the Kathryn Kidder Company; Mr. James H. Cowan, of Cowan Bros., managers of the Academy of Music, this city, and Mr. James K. Collier.

Miss Kathryn Kidder expected to be a guest at the luncheon but a slight indisposition forbade her leaving her hotel, as the weather was very inclement.

AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Kathryn Kidder in "An Eye for An Eye" Pleased a Large Audience.

Wilmington always has a warm welcome for Miss Kathryn Kidder, but this season its theatre-going contingent exceeded itself in the enthusiasm of its reception. The Academy of Music last night for Miss Kidder's presentation of "An Eye for an Eye" was thronged with a fashionable and discriminating audience, which was more than pleased with the production, one critic has well characterized as an intellectual feast.

Miss Kidder in the role of *Francine*, the dominant figure in Dumas' great play, has an abundant opportunity for the display of the wonderful emotional qualities which she possesses in marked degree. The piece is a story of conjugal neglect; the logical development of the character of a wife with noble ideals under those circumstances. Miss Kidder's portrayal of the stricken wife and her part in the final reconciliation was perfect and supporting her was a clever and capable company. Mr. Munroe Salisbury, the leading man, William Webb, in the role of the old man, Edward Lester, Walter Goodrich, M. O'Brien and William Wagner each proved themselves actors entitled to high rank.

ASSEMBLY BALL THURSDAY NIGHT.

Elaborate Preparations for Annual Social Event—The Receiving Party.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the annual function by "The Assembly," which will be given in the Masonic Temple on Thursday night of this week. Admission will be by card only and members of the club may secure the same by calling upon the secretary. The Assembly ball will begin promptly at 9:30 o'clock; supper will be served at midnight and from that the pleasures will centre in a beautiful cotillon, lasting into the morning hours.

The receiving party will be as follows: Mrs. Warren G. Elliott, Mrs. Clayton Giles, Mrs. T. M. Emerson, Mrs. Geo. Rountree, Mrs. J. Victor Grainger, Mrs. Geo. G. Thomas, Mrs. E. C. Holt, Mrs. D. H. Lippitt, Mrs. J. R. Kenly, Mrs. Pembroke Jones, Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Mrs. R. R. Bellamy, Mrs. G. Herbert Smith.

Name Party This Evening.

All friends of St. Paul's church are requested to remember the "Name Party" to be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Mr. Cuthbert Martin, 420 South Front street. There will be a charge of five cents a letter for the first name of each guest, that is the first one of the given names. It is expected that music, singing, readings, games and various other means of social enjoyment will combine to make the evening a pleasant one. Excellent refreshments have also been provided, and a good time may be expected.

— Only two unimportant cases were tried in the police court yesterday.

GEN. LEE'S BIRTHDAY.

Celebration in Wilmington Yesterday Very Appropriate to the Occasion.

GEN. RANSOM'S ADDRESS.

Tribute to the People of the Cape Fear. Presentation of Crosses of Honor. Lunch Served by the Ladies in City Hall—The Parade.

An able and patriotic address by Gen. Matt W. Ransom and other appropriate exercises in the Academy of Music, a parade of the principal streets of the city by the Veterans and local military and a delightful luncheon served by the Daughters of the Confederacy in the City Hall to those who participated in the exercises, were the chief outward observances in Wilmington yesterday of the 96th birthday of General Robert E. Lee.

The programme as arranged by Cape Fear Camp, United Confederate Veterans and Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, was carried out with gratifying precision and success. It is safe to say that of previous celebrations of the day in Wilmington, none has been more general and certainly none more fitting than that of this year. Many of the business houses and offices closed during the afternoon, the banks suspended all day and vessels in the harbor, especially the British steamers at the compresses of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son, were gayly bedecked with flags and other tokens in honor of the day.

The parade moved promptly at 3 o'clock down Market street, under the direction of Capt. James I. Metts, chief marshal. First came the Second Regiment Band, reinforced by members of Hollowbush's Orchestra; next the Chief Marshal and aides; Cape Fear Camp of Veterans, led by Color Sergeant O. M. Fillyaw and one hundred men strong; George Davis Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans; the Wilmington Light Infantry and Wilmington Division Naval Reserves; Col. Walker Taylor's Boys' Brigade; Gen. Ransom, the orator, and Dr. A. D. McClure, the chaplain, in a carriage. The line of march was down Market to Front street; down Front to Chesnut street; up Chesnut to Third and down Third to the Academy of Music, were there was fully a thousand people assembled to hear Gen. Ransom's address and participate in the other exercises.

When the distinguished orator went upon the stage with his escort, Capt. James I. Metts, Capt. W. R. Kenan, Dr. A. D. McClure, Rev. R. W. Hogue, Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson, Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, Mr. Junius Davis, Mr. J. H. Boatwright and Mr. T. D. Meares, the band played "Dixie" and there was enthusiastic and prolonged applause. When quiet had been restored, Dr. McClure led in a very fervent prayer and Capt. Metts very gracefully introduced the speaker. He said:

"I have the honor, ladies and gentlemen, of presenting one who needs no introduction to this audience, for he has endeared himself to the people of Wilmington and this section by his untiring efforts and great influence in securing from Congress very liberal appropriations for the Cape Fear river and bar, which has made Wilmington one of the first cotton export ports of the United States. As a gallant, dashing, brave, North Carolina Tar Heel soldier—which means a great deal, for they were always in the thickest of the battles with no peers—he was second to none and I know of no one who is better equipped or qualified to tell you of the deeds of daring, hardships and sufferings of those half-starved, half-naked, worn-out Confederate heroes, who fought four long, long years, than our soldier, statesman and orator, Gen. Matt W. Ransom."

Gen. Ransom's appearance was again the signal for long applause. The gallant old soldier and statesman approached the stand with a steady step and at once the old-time resonance of his voice and the vigor of his expression were recognized by the admirers of his younger days. Gen. Ransom spoke for an hour and a half, and although the atmosphere was extremely raw, he had the undivided attention of his audience from beginning to end. He began his speech with a reference to the illustrious men of the Cape Fear and the patriots who made this section known of all men. They loved their country; they loved their good and they loved their fellowmen. It was right that such people and descendants of such people should now celebrate the birthday of one than whom there is none greater. Their devotion to liberty, to law, to society and to religion was eulogized. Gen. Ransom then passed on to his subject—the life and character of Lee. He said he came with no prepared speech; it required no rhetoric to speak of Lee. Words are trifles besides the facts that made up that life of the gallant leader. Acts live forever and it is good that they do. It was common to refer to Lee as "matchless," "peerless," etc. The English language is incompetent to do him justice. His life is the best eulogy that can be pronounced; his acts the most lasting monument to his greatness. Look back for ages and but one man could be found to equal him—George Washington, the father of his country. Next to Washington and by his side is Lee, the commander of the Southern army. He died at the age of 63. The speaker challenged, he taunted, he dared any man to point to one wrong deed that ever entered into his life.

Gen. Ransom next paid a tribute to the religious life of Gen. Lee and contrasted the characters of Lee and Washington. He then went into a history of the achievements of the peerless Confederate and gave a comprehensive history of the rise and fall of the Confederacy, closing with a brilliant defence of secession.

The band gave a spirited rendition of Dixie upon the close of Gen. Ransom's speech and Gen. Metts read, with much effect, General Lee's Farewell Address. He also introduced Mrs. W. M. Parsley, the first president of the Daughters of Confederacy in North Carolina, who presented the Crosses of Honor to Veterans in the following neat little address:

"It is with pride and pleasure that, in behalf of the Daughters of the Confederacy, I present the Cross of Honor to those Confederate Veterans whose certificates, showing their title to it, has been received; for, simple as the emblem is, it will be a noble heritage from you to your children, bearing testimony, as it does, that he who wears it, did his duty and bore his part in making, for North Carolina, during the days of our Southern Confederacy, the grand history which is hers.

"We, Daughters of Confederacy, feel that we are honored in bestowing these crosses of honor upon those who have so worthily won them—that a reflected glory falls upon us in being enabled in a measure to preserve the individual record of our Confederate soldiers. I can give them no greater or dearer name. It means courage, steadfastness and honor!"

Rev. Richard W. Hogue, rector of St. James' parish, responded in behalf of the Veterans, paying a beautiful compliment to womanhood and extolling their devotion to the Lost Cause.

Capt. Metts said that since the last presentation, a Cross of Honor has been sent to Sergeant C. C. Lewis, late of Co. E., 10th Regiment, now living in Portsmouth, Va. Four certificates were received too late to be forwarded for that presentation. Those entitled to Crosses of Honor then were: Lieut. A. D. Brown, Orderly Sergeant Calvin S. Blackwell, Ensign R. A. Corbett, Private Geo. S. Copes, Corporal Josiah J. F. Heath, Col. S. D. Thruston, Adjutant James H. Taylor, Private Henry Vines and Private G. W. Williams. Those of the number who were present were asked to come upon the stage and the crosses were pinned upon the lapels of their coats by Mrs. Parsley and other Daughters of the Confederacy who occupied seats of honor during the exercises.

Following the presentation of the tokens of love and esteem from the Daughters of the Confederacy, all veterans and others who took part in the parade repaired to the City Hall, where a delightful spread of sandwiches, cake, coffee and other refreshments were served.

The Daughters of the Confederacy assembled at the W. L. I. armory at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon and attended the exercises in the Academy in a body.

THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Annual Meeting This Afternoon—Treasurer's report for December, 1902

The Annual Meeting of the Associated Charities will be held at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

The report of the Treasurer for the month of December 1902 is as follows:

Receipts—New Hanover county, $125; Cash, $10; B. F. Hall, $3; Mrs. Elizabeth Latimer, $5; William Latimer, $5; Cash, $5; Mrs. J. F. Gause, $1; Mrs. Donald McRae, $50; Mrs. T. M. Emerson, $10; Mrs. Anna Huske Cotton, $50; Mrs. Joseph Price, $1; Mrs. Jas A. King, $1; Contribution from Gerkens Cigar Store, $5 73; Cash, $30; Elks' Memorial Service, $39.19; Wm. Nicstlie, $5; Mrs. Kate DeR. Meares, $5; Mrs. J. W. Murchison, $10; B. H. J. Ahrens, $5; Eduard Ahrens, $5.

Disbursement — Secretary's Salary, $25; Catharine Kennedy Home, $12.50; Groceries, $144 50; Wood, $16.25; Rent for those in need, $7.50; Cash help, $5; Janitor, $3; R. R. fares, $3.53; Shoes, $1.50; Stationery, 80c.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. George W. Sullivan, of Boston, Mass., is visiting the home of her brother, Mr. George Pinner, No. 204½ South Front street.

— Third Vice President T. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager H. M. Emerson and General Freight Agent R. A. Brand left Sunday for St. Augustine, Fla. Mrs. T. M. Emerson and Miss Nellie Emerson accompanied Mr. T. M. Emerson.

— Gen. Matt W. Ransom, who delivered the address for the Lee birthday celebration yesterday afternoon, is being entertained by the Veterans and Daughters of Confederacy at The Orton, where many of his friends called upon him yesterday.

— The familiar figure of that gallant Confederate, Mr. P. Heinsberger, was absent from the parade yesterday for the first time in the history of the Lee birthday celebrations in Wilmington. He is still confined to his home with la grippe.

CAPT. STEPHEN M. THOMAS DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Scotland County Died Suddenly Saturday Night.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

LAURINBURG, N. C., Jan. 19.—Capt. Stephen M. Thomas, a prominent farmer living about two and a half miles from Laurinburg, retired on Saturday night in his usual health. About 10 o'clock Mrs. Thomas discovered that he was struggling and before she could light a lamp he was dead.

Capt. Thomas served in the C. S. A., emerging a lieutenant. At one time he merchandised at Laurinburg, but his chief business was farming, at which he had been very successful. He occasionally contributed to the newspapers and magazines, generally on subjects pertaining to agriculture and always interesting. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

MICROBES WILL CONTINUE.

State Senate Refused to Pass House Bill for Renovating—Adjourned in Honor of Lee and Jackson.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 19.—There was only a fifteen minute session of the State Senate to-day, the principal object being to adopt resolutions relative to Gen. Lee's birthday.

Incidentally it held up the House bill, appropriating $2,500 for renovating and re-carpeting the halls, instead of passing it instanter as was expected, so that the work could be completed by to-night. They referred the bill to the finance committee, ostensibly to investigate as to cost and get bids. The effect will be that the old carpets will remain at least for some weeks and the dreaded microbes will continue to spread disease germs among the legislators. Many members of the House are much put out by the action of the Senate.

Four bills were introduced in the Senate as follows:

By Baldwin, to regulate the sale of land under mortgage and deed trust, providing that the sales shall be at the Court House door. This, however, is not to effect sales ordered by the Superior courts.

By Blow, to establish graded schools in Greenville; to amend the charter of Greenville, and to provide for an election at Greenville on April 19th on the issuance of $7,500 bonds for town improvements.

Senator Reinhardt introduced a resolution regarding Lee's birthday and adjourning the Senate out of respect to the South's great heroes, Lee and Jackson.

MABEL PAIGE TO-MORROW NIGHT.

"A Mountain Waif" Will Be the Opening Bill—At Popular Prices

A large audience will greet Miss Mabel Paige to night at the Academy when she and company commence their engagement, which will last for five nights. Only one matinee will be given, which will be a grand bargain performance Saturday afternoon. During the entire engagement popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents will prevail.

The play for to-night is one of the strongest in the company's extensive and up-to-date repertoire—"A Mountain Waif." It is one of the most pleasing successes of the day and will afford an evening of much pleasure to all Wilmington play-goers who are fortunate enough to see it. This popular drama will be staged with special scenery, all of which is carried by the company. The usual "between act" specialties will be introduced, but they will be of a thoroughly up-to-date character.

Seats for the performance to-night are on sale at Plummer's.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MASONIC TEMPLE, Jan. 20, 1903.

Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M.

REGULAR MONTHLY COMMUNICATION this (Tuesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.
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TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20.

MANUFACTURERS ON THE TARIFF.

There are very few, if any, manufacturers who do not want protection on the things they manufacture, and none of them who do not want the tariff duties removed from the raw materials they use. The tanner wants free hides, but he also wants protection on leather. The boot and shoe maker wants protection on boots and shoes, but he also wants free leather. The woollen manufacturer wants free wool but he also wants protection on the goods he makes. The iron and steel maker wants free iron ore and free coal but he also wants protection on the iron and steel he makes, and thus it goes through the entire list. The producers of the raw materials insist as strenuously upon protection on them as the manufacturers do for protection on their goods, and thus selfishness, which is the inspiration of the protective system, is arrayed against selfishness, which looks only after itself and ignores everything else.

The following which we clip from the press dispatches of Saturday, shows how interests conflict and the selfishness that underlies the whole protective system:

An extended hearing was given yesterday by the House Ways and Means Committee to representatives of various manufacturing interests favoring the passage of the bill introduced by Representative Lovering, of Massachusetts, which provides that when imported duty-paid materials used in the manufacture or production of articles manufactured or produced in the United States cannot be specifically identified by the manufacturer or producer as having been used in the manufacture or production of any article as now required, a drawback may be allowed on the exportation of such articles.

W. H. Seaver, of the National Wire Company, in the course of his remarks, said that steel billets and raw material cost about $10 a ton less abroad than at home, and in answer to a question said: "At the present time we can buy it abroad and pay the duty cheaper than we can buy at home, but he added that conditions are somewhat abnormal at this time

"Is the any one company or corporation that controls the price of raw material in this country?" was asked by a member of the committee

"I should say yes," replied Mr. Seaver, "that being the United States Steel Corporation."

"What has been their act toward raising or lowering prices?" Mr. Grosvenor asked.

"Their policy has been to retain the prices at such a high level that the independent concerns have found it very difficult to live," replied Mr. Seaver.

Replying to a question as to the average price of steel in this country and abroad, Mr. Seaver said: "I know it to be a fact that in spite of the enormous demand of this country, certain companies are still holding on to the export business at prices which I know are very much less than those obtained in this country."

"I know they have offered wire rods in Canada at a price which is several dollars less than they offered the same rods for domestic use," said Mr. Seaver in reply to a question with reference to foreign selling by the United States Steel Company.

Representative Swanson, of Virginia asked Mr. Seaver: "When you sell your finished product do you sell it abroad at less than you sell it at home?"

"Yes, sir," was the response, "because we get the benefit of the drawback."

The manufacturers argued that the passage of the bill would greatly increase the export business of this country.

We have not seen Mr. Lovering's bill, but he represents a New England wool manufacturing and shoe manufacturing constituency, and we infer from this that his bill is intended to give them a drawback in the tariff they pay on imported wool and leather; in other words, to give them tariff-free wool and leather by a drawback, instead of placing these materials on the free list, thus following the course pursued recently in giving a drawback for twelve months on imported coal, the plan adopted by the protectionists to dodge tariff discussion and forcing the issue of putting coal on the free list, where it ought to be and where it will yet be.

We take it for granted, however, that when this scheme comes up in Congress the representatives of the wool men and leather men will be up in arms against it, for a drawback would be about as objectionable to them as putting these articles on the free list would, for it would have practically the same effect.

The interesting features of these expressions of views by the manfacturers who appeared before this committee are that they show how protection operates to strangle home enterprise, to crush independent effort and to cramp our export business in which the advocates of protection profess such a keen and deep solicitude. It puts the export business practically in the control of strong combinations, which compete with individual enterprises and undersell their individual competitors in foreign as they do in the home markets, for the reason that they not only have command of much larger capital but also because they control to a large extent the supplies of raw materials that their individual competitors use and must get from them. The Steel Trust, for instance, owns some of the best iron mines in the country, controls lines of transportation, gets the raw material it uses at the bottom price and charges manufacturers who buy from it any price it chooses, prices which at times it runs so high that, as testified by Mr. Seaver, the independent manufacturers sometimes find it cheaper to import and pay the tariff duties. This he pronounces "an abnormal condition" and it is, but so is the whole protective system as now carried out abnormal, a system of greed and grab, selfish conflict and gross inconsistencies.

A TIMELY REMINDER.

While Pesident Roosevelt persists in appointing negroes to office in Southern States when such appointments are odious to the masses of the white people, justifying himself on the ground that when there is no other objection color should be no bar to appointment. the Charleston *Post* quotes from the life of Lincoln the following extracts for his contemplation. The first is from one of his speeches in the famous joint debate with Stephen A. Douglas. Douglas had charged that the purpose of the Republican party was to recognize the negro as the equal of the white man to which Lincoln thus replied:

I have no purpose to introduce political and social equality between the white and the black races. There is a physical difference between the two, which in my judgment will probably forbid their living upon the footing of perfect equality, and inasmuch as it becomes a necessity that there must be a difference. I, as well as Judge Douglas, am in favor of the race to which I belong having the superior position.

Lincoln never did believe in the equality of the races, he didn't believe in enforced emancipation either, nor in enfranchisement, although he was, as a great many Southern people and slave holders were, in favor of gradual emancipation, which he endeavored to bring about by compensation to the slave owners. Had emancipation been left to him and had not pressure, which he could not resist, been brought to bear upon him, that emancipation proclamation would never have been issed.

The next question is directly pertinent to the appointment of negroes to office in the South and has no reference to the appointment of negroes for that had not then been thought of, but to the appointment of white men. It is from Lincoln's inaugural address.

There will be no attempt to force obnoxious strangers among the people for that object. While the strict legal right may exist in the government to enforce the exercise of these offices, the attempt to do so would be so irritating and so nearly impracticable withal, that I deem it better to forego for the time the exercise of those offices.

The leaders of the Republican party of to-day have not much respect for Lincoln's opinions or utterances, but still President Roosevelt might do well and save himself much worry and embarrassment by giving them some attention.

AS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

Professor Schurman, president of the Cornell University, said in an address to the students of the University of Missouri a few days ago, that this country has but one of three courses to pursue with the Philippines; one was to hold them as colonies, which would mean endless strife; another to admit them to statehood, which is impracticable; and the other to acknowledge their independence. Having restored peace, and accomplished what we professed to be fighting for we should now haul down our flag and get out as we had done in the case of Cuba.

Of course the Administration has no idea of following the advice of Professor Schurman, or of anyone else who advises loosening our grip on those islands, for the idea is to hold them as colonies on the assumption that it will pay. It has all simmered down to that: Will it pay?

If we have to maintain the "open door" and give other nations a fair chance for the trade of those islands they will get more of it than we do, as they do now, and they can insist upon the open door, which we promised when we were dickering for the islands. Our trade with them does not now amount to more than $12,000,000 a year, which is a poor showing for an original investment of $20,000,000 purchase money, over $200,000,000 in war expenses and about $40,000,000 a year now, while pleas for appropriations are already coming in to relieve the distress of the people who are suffering from hunger and disease. They ask for $3,000,000 now and that is probably but a starter.

It must not be forgotten that a considerable part of the trade we now have with these islands consists of exports to soldiers and other Americans on the islands. Assuming or admitting that our trade will increase in the future, how long would it take it to offset the annual expenses in holding and ruling the islands, leaving out of the account the $20,000,000 purchase money and the money already spent in forcing recognition of Ameriaan sovereignty?

And with all this, if we were to have war with a nation having a strong navy, Japan, for instance, how much more might it cost to protect those islands from attack? At a distance of 7,000 miles from our Pacific shores protecting them, in case of war, means a powerful fleet and millions of money. As a business proposition they certainly have not paid and we fail to see any promise or indication that they will.

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Some people have a habit of turning up when least expected, as the ex-Federal soldier did in a Connecticut town a few days who was supposed to have been killed in a scrimmage in Louisana forty years ago. He had the pleasure of looking at and reading the inscription on the monument erected to his memory.

Waterbury, Conn., is somewhat of a Celtic city. Out of its 60,000 population about 30,000 are Irish or of Irish descent.

CURRENT COMMENT

— If the English and Germans profit the least bit by our experience in the Philippines, they will make no working arrangements whatever with the revolutionists in Venezuela. It is a one-sided and dangerous game.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

— A Washington correspondent figures out that if Congress keeps up its lagging gait much longer, it will be physically impossible—for lack of time—to pass an anti-trust bill at the present session. As to which it may be remarked that the G. O. P. can be depended upon to do the necessary lagging to prevent said legislation.—*Norfolk Ledger, Dem.*

— Truly magnanimous are the Republicans of the House! They consent to suspend the tariff on coal for a year to keep the people of some sections of the country from freezing, but at the end of the year the tariff must be restored to full force. Nothing short of a prospect of freezing must suspend a single item of the sacred Dingley tariff, even though the duty is not at all needed by the Treasury.—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

— "What is to be thought of a great political party that is held so fast in the grip of the trusts that it has the audacity, in the face of existing conditions in this country, to propose that the tariff duty on anthracite coal be suspended for one year instead of being permanently abolished? ' Well, one thing to be thought of it is that it appears to be able to recognize a popular growl when it hears one, which marks progress on its part.—*Charleston News and Courier Dem.*

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— Yadkin *Ripple*: Mr. Peter Shermer, of Conrad, this county, comes to the front with the best hog yet slaughtered in this section. He killed one last Monday that weighed 624 pounds.

— Rocky Mount *Motor*: Mrs. Rebecca Gay, aged 73 years, died at the home of Mr. R. G. Hart, about eight miles from here on Wednesday morning. Death was due to paralysis. The deceased was ill only about one week.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: The greater part of Mr. W. H. Sikes' saw mill plant, situated near Currie's mill, ten miles from this city, and half a million feet of lumber were destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The fire was discovered at 4:30 o'clock, and it was 9:30 before it was under control. Nothing was saved only the saw mill machinery. The planing mill, dry kilns and all other buildings were consumed. The loss is estimated at $30,000.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Parties from Newton tell us of a big fire which occurred in that town Friday. The fire was discovered in Coperning & Young's livery stable. Eighteen head of horses and a large number of vehicles belonging to the firm were consumed in the flames. — The Odell Manufacturing Company, of Concord, has increased their capital stock from $500,000 to $600,000 and expect at an early day to build a $10,000 spindle mill. This is one of the largest and most prosperous textile mills in the South.

— Fremont *Visitor*: J. Perry Barnes, son of J. A. Barnes, living about five miles west of town was accidentally shot by a negro tenant on the farm just before Christmas. The negro was examining a new pistol which he had just bought and in handling it the weapon was discharged the ball, which was a 38 calibre, entered Mr. Barns's side and passed through abdomen, lodging in his right side. Immediately after the accident medical aid was summoned and the ball extracted. Mr. Barnes is mending rapidly and will soon recover.

— Statesville *Landmark*: An unusual amount of presence of mind for one so young was exercised by little Catherine, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. White, Wednesday, and saved the residence of Mr. White from suffering loss from fire. Little Catherine accompanied the servant girl to a waste room up stairs to get some cotton. In striking a match the cotton in the room ignited. With the deliberation of an older person the little girl went to a nearby room, secured a rug, and returning to the waste room smothered out the fire with a rug before any damages resulted. — Mollie Tomlin, a young negro girl who moved from the country and has been making her home at John Emmons', colored, for some months, gave birth to an illegitimate child Sunday. Wednesday about noon the girl says she awoke and found that during her sleep she had smothered the child to death. The county physician was notified and examined the dead infant, He found that it had been smothered, but as there was no evidence to show that the mother had purposely caused its death he decided that an inquest was not necessary.

TWINKLINGS

— "Clothes don't make the man." "True, and that's where man and woman differ."—*Chicago Post.*

— Little Clarence—Pa, how many senses have we? Mr. Calipers—Six, my son—five senses and a nonsense.—*Puck.*

— Teacher—Tommy, who were the three wise men of the East? Tommy—Why, Schwab, Morgan an' Russell Sage—*Philadelphia Record.*

— The Burlesque Queen—Send for the police! I've been robbed! Her Manager—Diamonds gone again? The Queen—No! No! This is serious Some one has stolen all my press notices.—*Puck.*

— "You certainly wouldn't marry a girl for her money, would you" He—"Of course not. Neither would I have the heart to let her become an old maid merely because she had money."—*Chicago News.*

— "If I were not an Englishman," said the Briton patronizingly, "I should wish to be an Irishman." "Indade!" exclaimed the Irishman. "Faith, if Oi was not an Irishman Oi'd wish Oi was one."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Whew! exclaimed Nuwed, what's the matter with this mince pie? Nothing, replied his wife, who was a white ribboner, I followed your mother's recipe except where it called for brandy, I put root beer in instead.—*Life.*

— "What have you gone to smoking for at your age?" "I want to show my boys how easy it is to break off a bad habit." "Then are you going to quit?" "Yes—as soon as I get the habit a little more firmly fixed."—*Truth.*

— First Gateman—Who is that woman who has asked twenty times in the last five minutes about the schedule for fear her train will get away? Second Gateman—She's headin' a bunch o' delegates goin' down t' a meetin' o' th' American League o' Don't Worry Clubs.—*Baltimore News.*

— A local band was one day playing at Dunfermline when an old weaver came up and asked the bandmaster what air they were playing. "That is 'The Death of Nelson,'" replied the bandmaster solemnly. "Ay, mon," replied the weaver, "ye hae gi'en him an awfu' death."—*Tit-Bits.*

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"If a child came to the table with cross looks, he or she was quietly sent away to find a good boy or girl, for only such were allowed to come within that loving circle. We were taught that all petty grievances and jealousies must be forgotten when mealtime came, and the habit of being cheerful three times a day under all circumstances had its effect on even the most sullen temper. Grateful as I am for all the training received in my childhood home, I look back upon the table influence as among the best of my life."

Much is said and written these days about "table manners." Children in well bred families are drilled in a knowledge of "good form" as to the use of the fork and napkin, proper methods of eating the various courses are descanted upon, but training in the most important grace or habit a child should have, that of cheerfulness at table, is too often neglected. Let the gathering at mealtime be made the most happy hour of the day, and the influence on the children may be beyond estimation.—Table Talk.

A Good Nut Cake.

For a nut cake the Boston Cooking School Magazine directs: Cream half a cup of butter. Add gradually one cup and a half of sugar, then half a cup of milk, one teaspoonful of vanilla extract, two cups and one-fourth of flour sifted with one-fourth a teaspoonful of soda and three-fourths a teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Lastly fold in the whites of five eggs. Spread in two layerlike pans. Press halves of English walnuts into the top of one of the layers to make lengthwise rows of nut meats. Sprinkle the whole with white sugar and bake about twenty minutes. Put the layers together with chocolate nut frosting.

NUT LAYER CAKE.

Boil one cup of sugar and half a cup of water until it forms a thread when tried with a spoon. Pour in a fine stream, beating constantly, on to the beaten yolks of two eggs. Then pour this mixture on to a square of melted chocolate, add the chopped meats remaining from a pound of unshelled nuts and half a teaspoonful of vanilla extract and beat until cold enough to spread.

Tests of Coffee.

"One-third Mocha and two-thirds Java" is the popular password for excellence in coffee. There are, however, an indefinite number of qualities of both, inferior as well as superior grades. An expert tester in a large importing house which handles coffee gives the following ways for discovering adulteration: First, if ground coffee "cakes" or hardens into a mass when a quantity is pressed together in the hand, it is adulterated, probably with chicory. Many persons like the flavor of chicory, but might prefer not to pay coffee prices for it if they knew it. Next, carefully place a sample of suspected coffee on top of a glass of water. If part of it floats and part sinks, it isn't all "real." Again, put a spoonful of coffee in a white bottle half full of cold water and shake vigorously for a few moments. If the sample is pure, it will rise to the top, hardly coloring the water, because pure coffee is enveloped in an oily substance which prevents it from absorbing the water, while an adulterant, usually being free from oil, quickly becomes saturated.—Good Housekeeping.

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ROSIN—Market firm at $1.55 per barrel for strained and $1.60 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.90 per barrel for hard, $3.20 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1 00; tar steady at $1.35; crude turpentine quiet at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	42
Rosin	492
Tar	608
Crude turpentine	50

Receipts same day last year—24 casks spirits turpentine, 428 barrels rosin, 323 barrels tar, 66 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¼	cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	7⅛	" "
Low middling	8¼	" "
Middling	8¾	" "
Good middling	9⅛	" "

Same day last year, market steady at 7⅞c for middling.

Receipts—802 bales; same day last year, 1,338.

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PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm, Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy. 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Money on call steady at 4@4½ per cent, closing offered at 4 per cent.; time money was quoted easier: 60 days, 4¾ per cent; 90 days, 4¾ per cent.; six months 4½@4¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 486 95@487 for demand and at 483.70@483 75 for sixty days. Posted rates 484½ and 487½@488 Commercial bills 483@484. Bar silver 47⅛. Mexican dollars 37½. Government bonds strong. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds irregular. U S. funding 2's, registered, 109½; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109; U. S. 3's, registered, 107; do. coupon, 107½; U. S. 4's, new registered, 134½; do. coupon, 136½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 110½, do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. 5's, registered, 102½; do. coupon. 104; Southern Railway, 5's, 117½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 101½. Chesapeake & Ohio 53½; Manhattan L 132⅞; New York Central 152⅜; Reading 61½; do. 1st preferred 86; do. 2nd preferred 76; St. Paul 178½; do. pref'd, 192½; Southern Railway 35½; do. pref'd 95; Amalgamated Copper 63⅜; People's Gas 103⅜; Sugar 130⅜; Tennessee Coal and Iron 61½; U. S. Leather 12½; do. pref'd, 88½; Western Union 91; U. S Steel 36⅝; do. pref'd 89; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 63; do. preferred, 121. Standard Oil, 740@744

BALTIMORE, Jan. 19.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26½; do. preferred, bonds, 42; fours, 84

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet at 60½@61c.

SAVANNAH, Jan 19.—Lee's birthday, no markets.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 19.—Spirits turpentine firm at 57½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks; A, B, C, $1 60; D, $1 60; E, $1 60; F, $1 65 G, $1 75; H, $2 00; I, $2 35: K, $2 85; M, $3 35; N, $3 50; W G, $3 75; W W $4 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of two to five points, and later business increased the advance five to seven points. The improvement was due to cables that were regarded as favorable, with public interest still supplying the market with buying orders. Private cables stated that the English improvement was based largely upon favorable Manchester conditions, which led to active speculative buying at Liverpool. Later, the local market became quite weak under realizing and certain bear pressure, under which prices sold off to Saturday's close. But again public buying orders took the lead and prices rapidly advanced, with the market in the afternoon partially firm. The close was steady at a net rise of one to five points. Total sales of futures estimated at 320,000 bales. The selling for short account was largely upon the assumption that the strong statistical position had been over-discounted and that the long interest had become too great and too widely extended. The selling was further stimulated by indications of larger receipts, ports for the day showing 35,631 bales against 27,801 last year, and thus far for the week 66,708 bales against 50,692 last year, leading to estimates on the amount to be brought in this week pointing to at least as much as came into sight last year, when it was 277,834 bales. A feature of the day's figures was the large total of exports which met the port receipts, being 34,990 bales, or within 147,947 bales for the corresponding time last season. At the same time the spot cotton markets of the South were steady to firm, although the only spot point reporting any actual advance was New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Cotton steady at 9.00c; net receipts 256 bales; gross receipts 2,437 bales; stock 173,503 bales.

Spot closed steady and 5 points higher; middling uplands 9.00c; middling gulf 9.25c; sales 1,200 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed very steady Closing quotations were: January 8.75, February 8.73, March 8.80, April 8.84, May 8 86, June 8.86, July 8.87, August 8 65, September 8.28.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 35,731 bales; exports to Great Britain 10 998 bales; exports to France 5,821 bales; exports to the Continent 18 171 bales; stock 1,084,263 bales

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 66,703 bales; exports to Great Britain 15,085 bales; exports to France 6,121 bales; exports to the Continent 25,021 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5 509,290 bales. exports to Great Britain 1,698,036 bales exports to France 486,687 bales; exports to the Continent 1,733,734 bales

Jan. 19.—Galveston, firm at 8 13 16c, net receipts 6,796 bales; Norfolk, holiday, net receipts — bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8⅜, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 8.95, net receipts 891 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 802 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9 25c, net receipts 132 bales; Savannah, holiday, net receipts — bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 11 16c, net receipts 15,941 bales; Mobile, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 3,763 bales; Memphis, firm at 8 11-16c, net receipts 2,260 bales; Augusta, firm at 8⅞c, net receipts 838 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¾, net receipts 115 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Flour was firm and higher; Minnesota patents $4 10@4 30. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 82⅞c. Options—Throughout the day wheat was fairly active, demand generally stronger on conspicuous Chicago support, high foreign markets, a visible supply decrease and local covering. The close was ⅜@¾c net higher. Sales; March closed 85c; May closed 82⅞c; July closed 79⅞c Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 60c. Option market was generally easy because of fine weather, but January showed strength on covering of shorts and closed 1½c net higher against ⅛c loss on May; January closed 60c; February closed 56c; March closed 53⅜c. May closed 48⅜c; July closed 47⅛c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2, 42c. Options quiet, barely steady. May closed 41⅜c. Lard steady; Western steam $10 40; refined steady; continent $10 55. Pork firm; family $18 50@18 75 Tallow steady. Rice firm. Butter steady; extra creamery 27c; State dairy 19@25½. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14½c; small white, fall made, 14½@14½c. Molasses firm. Coffee quiet. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4½@4¾c; other domestic 3⅜c. Cabbages quiet; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 75@90c. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12c. Eggs easy; State and Pennsylvania average best 29c. Sugar—Raw nominal; refined steady. Potatoes were steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 75; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50 @2 00 Cotton seed oil was still offered rather freely to-day, keeping the undertone easy at Saturday's decline. Prices: Prime crude nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 34@34½c; prime summer yellow 40@40½c; off summer yellow 39c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c; prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—The wheat market ruled active and strong to-day, May ⅞ c over Saturday. Corn and oats were idle by comparison, the May options in both pits concluding the session with a shade loss Provisions unchanged to five cents down.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—Cash prices: Flour was strong. Wheat—No. 2 spring 76@79c; No. 3 spring 71½c; No. 2 red 76@77c. Corn—No 2 46½c; No 2 yellow 46½c. Oats—No 2 33⅜@34 No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 34@36c. Rye —No. 2 —c. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 75. Lard, per 100 lbs, quoted at $10 17½. Short rib sides, loose, $8 77½@9 22½ Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 37½@8 65. Short clear sides, boxed. $9 35@9 37½ Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 74½@74⅞. 75⅞, 75⅞c; May 78⅛@78⅜, 79½, 78⅛, 79⅛@79⅛c; July 74⅜@74⅞ 74⅛@75, 74½, 74⅛@74⅞c. Corn—No 2, January 46½, 46⅞, 46½, 46⅞; May 43⅛@43⅜. 43⅞, 43⅛, 43⅞c; July 42⅛@43, 43, 42⅜, 42⅞c Oats—No 2 January 34c; May 35⅛@35⅜, 35⅛, 35⅛. 35⅛@35⅛c; July 32, 32⅛, 32 32⅛ Mess pork. per bbl—January $17 75, 17 75, 17 75, 17 75; May $16 35, 16 47½, 16 35, 16 35. Lard, per 100 lbs., —January $9 97½, 10 15, 9 97½, 10 15; May $9 42½. 9 47½, 9 42½, 9 47½; July $9 30, 9 35, 9 30, 9 32½ Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 92½; May $9 02½, 9 05, 9 00, 9 02½.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 19.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices four points higher; American middling fair 5.44d; good middling 5.00d; middling 4.82d; low middling 4.70d; good ordinary 4.58d; ordinary 4.46d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 10,900 bales American. Receipts 2,200 bales, all American.

Futures opened firm and closed steady; American middling (g o c) January 4.76d; January and February 4.76d; February and March 4.76d; March and April 4.76@4.77d; April and May 4.77@4.78d; May and June 4.78@4.79d; June and July 4.78@4.79d; July and August 4.78d; August and September 4.71d; September and October 4.51d; October and November 4.40d.

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A. & Y. Railroad—49 bales of cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 76 barrels rosin, 25 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—6 casks spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin.

Steamer Highlander—3 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 66 barrels rosin, 307 barrels tar, 1 barrel crude turpentine, 5 barrels pitch.

Steamer A P. Hurt—11 casks spirits turpentine, 189 barrels rosin, 116 barrels tar.

Schooner Carolyn—37 barrels rosin.

Total—802 bales cotton, 42 casks spirits turpentine, 492 barrels rosin, 608 barrels tar, 50 barrels crude turpentine, 5 barrels pitch.

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WEDDING AND GOING AWAY GOWNS.

pearls. From the bodice at the waist falls a series of points looped with pearls, and shoulder straps with pearls often give substance to the gossamer fabrics that are employed to fill in to the neck. Many brides have of late favored lace veils, but those who prefer tulle wear them much larger and more voluminous than they used to be, and they are often drawn up a little on the head with a chaplet of white blooms. When very long trains are worn, they carry deep flounces of lace.

The wedding gown of a charming fall bride is constructed of white crepe de chine, the vest and undersleeves braided with silver, as is the skirt, which is tucked lengthwise. The chiffon veil will be worn with a wreath of myrtle and orange blossoms. The dresses of the bridesmaids are white silk and the hats white beaver, with one long ostrich plume and a chiffon rosette. The bride will take her departure in a dress of cream colored cloth trimmed with gold braid, a long light coat and hat to harmonize.

SMILES AND TABLECLOTHS.

Temper Trying Days and What Can Be Done Thereon.

Our grandmothers had it impressed upon them by one of the popular cookbooks of their day that a smile and a clean tablecloth would do wonders toward making up for the deficiencies of a meal. As human nature is said to be one of the few unchanging things on our planet, it would be just as well for the housekeepers of our own day to bear in mind this consolatory assertion in time of trial.

There are, in the experience of most housekeepers, not only Black Fridays, but Black Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, etc., as well—days when the happening of the unexpected always turns out to be some calamitous occurrence; days when the cook leaves without warning or the butcher, hitherto supposed to have a conscience, sends in joints that would try the teeth of a shark or broilers that would require the services of a stewpan; days when the biscuits are pronounced by critics to be as hard as Pharaoh's heart and the soup might be described as Lot's wife in solution; days when the pie crust is heavy and the potato refuses to be boiled into mealiness. These are temper trying days—days on which life seems to be scarcely worth the having. It is then, we take it, that the clean tablecloth is much more easily produced than the smile. Soap and water are cheap, and we have them always with us.

The Salvationists tell us that the members of their famous slum brigades, in order not to be overstylish for the taste of those among whom they work, will sometimes don aprons with holes in them. Rags they can put up with, but they draw the line at dirt. That they will not tolerate as long as there is a bar of soap to be had for love or money. The well intentioned housekeeper will profit by their example. If her tablecloths have been worn thin in the washtub, there is, in time of stress, no harm in using one that is past darning, but it should be guiltless of jam or gravy spots.

We read that on one occasion the famous March family (in "Little Women") with one consent went to work to meet some untoward happening with a cheerful spirit, and, "being a family of a decided dramatic turn," they succeeded admirably. If ever we feel within ourselves such a gift, the time to bring it into play is when things in general go at sixes and at sevens. Such histrionics have nothing in them of deceit or guile. They are only an outward demonstration of the commendable resolve to make the best of things.—Table Talk.

Fashion's Echoes.

Embroidered cloth ribbons in narrow widths play an important part on imported gowns. For example, a black ribbon has a raised design of forget-me-nots.

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Capes are a noticeable item of fashion and range from single, double and triple shoulder pieces to the longer ones dignified as cloaks.

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A touch of deep orange will be quite the thing to enliven dark costumes this winter.

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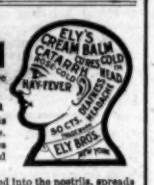

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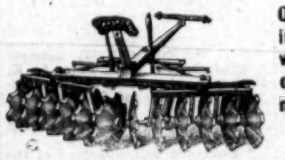

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of an Act granting a charter to the Elizabeth City and Carolina Through Line Railroad Co., (or other name suggested at time of making application) to build a railroad from Wilmington, N. C., to Elizabeth City, N. C.
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Rates From Wilmington

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W. J. CRAIG,
Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.
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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

TRAIN 39	Leaves Wilmington at 4:30 P. M., arrives Lumberton 6:50 P. M., Pembroke 7:20 P. M., Maxton 7:55 P. M., Hamlet 8:40 P. M.		
TRAIN 40	Leaves Hamlet at 8:30 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:15 A. M., Pembroke 9:48 A. M., Lumberton 10:09 A. M., Wilmington 12:30 noon.		

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8 50 a m	9 00 p m
Ar Monroe	10 22 a m	10 45 p m
Ar Charlotte	11 40 a m	11 50 p m
Ar Chester	12 01 p m	11 50 p m
Ar Greenwood	3 -0 p m	2 05 a m
Ar Athens	5 19 p m	4 15 a m
Ar Atlanta	7 40 p m	6 15 a m

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SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	8 00 a m	8 45 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Columbia	7 30 a m	11 55 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m	3 15 p m	4 55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 20 p m	7 40 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Tampa		6 45 a m	6 00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 25 p m	8 45 a m	12 -9 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 45 a m	2 35 a m
Ar Norlina	3 19 a m	1 38 p m	
Ar Petersburg	5 33 a m	4 -9 p m	
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 50 p m	6 40 a m
Ar Washington	9 45 a m	8 35 p m	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	10 54 a m	11 25 p m	11 18 a m
Ar New York	3 15 p m	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

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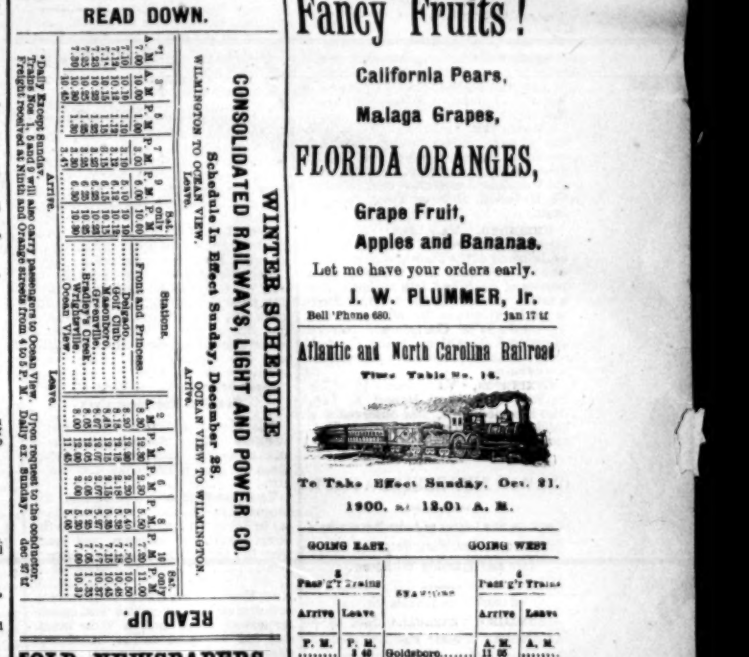

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Schedule In Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9 20 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 17 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10 40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 25 p m
Ar Norlina	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 58 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 40 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 33 a m	9 19 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 25 a m
Ar New York	7 15 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	8 55 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 30 a m	12 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	3 27 a m
Ar Washington	3 50 p m	5 45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6 56 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 38 p m	9 18 a m
Ar Weldon	9 04 p m	11 22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12 59 p m
Ar Wilson	10 48 p m	1 46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7 16 a m	2 55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 19 a m	5 45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	2 45 p m	7 00 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 00 p m	9 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 15 p m	5 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	3 00 a m	7 35 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9 00 a m	12 45 p m
Ar Tampa		7 00 p m	10 00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 00 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	6 15 p m	6 25 a m
Ar Florence	6 00 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar.	8 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 21 p m	Ar.	5 00 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv.	3 45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.		South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	2 30 p m	Ar.	12 00 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv.	9 00 a m

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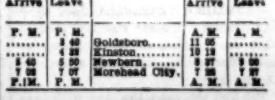

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 28	Kinston	10 18	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 07	9 20
7 05	7 07	Morehead City	7 05	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.00 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20.

MINISTER BOWEN ARRIVES.

Landed at Charleston En Route to Washington from Venezuela—His Bargain With Castro.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 19.—United States Minister Bowen arrived here this morning from Venezuela on board the dispatch boat Dolphin. As he was leaving the vessel a salute was fired. Minister Bowen left for Washington this afternoon and will arrive there to-morrow morning.

Concerning the published reports that he had been offered extravagant sums of money by President Castro to represent the government of Venezuela in the dispute with Germany and Great Britain Minister Bowen said that many false statements had been circulated. "When the question of remuneration was mentioned," he said, "I informed President Castro that I would not accept more than was required for my actual expenses, and I put an outside limit of $5,000 on the agreement. This was paid me in gold on my departure from LaGuaira. That is all I asked and it is all I will receive."

Minister Bowen was accompanied by his wife.

THE NELLIE CROPSEY MURDER

Arguments Concluded—Case to Go to the Jury To-day—Aydlett's Speech for Defence Made Strong Impression.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 19.—A special to the *Observer* from Hertford, N. C., says:

The arguments of the lawyers have been completed in the trial of James Wilcox for the murder of Nellie Cropsey, and Judge Council will charge the jury to-morrow. The case ought to be given the jury by 10 o'clock, if the testimony is not to be reviewed in full.

Messrs. George W. Ward, Jr., for the State, and E. F. Aydlett, Jr., for the defence, made strong speeches to-day and were listened to with earnest attention by the jury. The court room was jammed with people. When Aydlett concluded his speech, some people in the audience applauded. While he was speaking the crowd stood spellbound. Men stood on the backs of seats and women crowded the aisle. Being the last speaker he made a very decided impression. The jury is expected to return a verdict to-morrow afternoon.

GEN. R. E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY.

Generally Observed Throughout the South as a Holiday--Appropriate Exercises in Many Towns and Cities.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Jan. 19.—The anniversary of the birthday of General Robert E. Lee was generally observed throughout all sections of this State. Banks and State offices were closed for the day.

ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 19.—Appropriate exercises were held in this city to-day in commemoration of the birthday of General Robert E. Lee. The day was observed as a holiday by all the banks and schools in the city.

MOBILE, ALA., Jan. 19.—The anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee was observed here by the closing of the public schools, the banks and the courts.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 19.—All the banks were closed to-day and Lee memorial exercises were held by the graded school children, the Confederate Veterans' Association participating. W. B. David, of New York, was the orator.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 19.—Lee's birthday was observed here by a general closing of the State and city offices, and of the banks and schools, by a parade of the Seventieth regiment and a salute at Lee Circle by the Richmond Howitzers in the afternoon and by meetings of Confederate veteran camps and Daughters of the Confederacy, with appropriate addresses in the evening.

LEXINGTON, VA., Jan. 19.—The birthday of General Robert E. Lee, who is buried here, was observed as a holiday at Washington and Lee University and Virginia Military Institute.

GERMAN SHIP SHELLS A FORT.

Attack on San Carlos at Lake Maracaibo's Entrance—The Fort Returned the Fire and Warship Withdrew.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MARACAIBO, VENEZUELA, Jan. 18.—The German cruiser Panther shelled Fort San Carlos, at the entrance to Lake Maracaibo, yesterday afternoon for one hour.

The fort returned the fire with four guns. The Panther withdrew in the direction of Curacao.

Fort San Carlos is 22 miles from Maracaibo, and commands the entrance of the lake, or inner bay. Gen. Bello, commander of the fort, said:

"At 12:30 P. M. Fort San Carlos was attacked and shelled without any provocation on our part, without previous notification or the delivering of an ultimatum by the Panther, which tried to force the entrance. After a fight lasting an hour the Panther was obliged to abandon the contest and retreated. The fort has suffered no damage and three men were wounded."

There have been popular demonstrations on the streets of Maracaibo as a result of the shelling of the fort.

The joint Republican caucus at Albany, N. Y., last night nominated Thomas C. Platt to succeed himself as United States Senator by a vote of 108 to one for Elihu Root, the latter cast by Assemblyman William A. Dennison, of Jefferson.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

SENATE CONSIDERS CUBAN TREATY.

It Was Discussed at Some Length by Senators Cullum and Bacon.

IN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Senator Bacon Offered an Amendment Which Provides for Consideration of the Treaty by the House. Proceedings in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—During the consideration of morning business in the Senate, Mr. Bailey objected to the consideration by unanimous consent of all bills from the Republican side. When a bill reported by Senator Culberson, changing the times for holding court in Virginia, was read, Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, objected, saying that as objections seemed to be confined to the bills from the Republican side he would object, which brought from Senator Bailey the statement that the Senators from New York had interfered in a matter pertaining to the State of Texas which was a purely local one.

Senator Depew denied that the making of Port Arthur a port of entry was a local question. The discussion was terminated by Mr. Cullom moving an executive session to consider the Cuban reciprocity treaty. After half an hour in executive session the doors were re-opened and Mr. Foraker continued his remarks favoring statehood for Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico, after which another executive session was held and the Senate adjourned.

In Executive Session

The Senate devoted two brief executive sessions to-day to the Cuban reciprocity treaty. At the first session the treaty was read at length and at the second session Senator Cullom, who as chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has charge of the treaty, made a statement of its purport and effect. Senator Bacon, also a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, gave notice that he would have some amendments to the treaty to offer, and asked the privilege of making them public, following the example of the Senate in making the treaty itself public. This request was denied after considerable discussion, on the ground that it would be impolitic and unwise. Senator Cullom's statement was exhaustive. He produced a mass of figures to show the extent of the commerce between the United States and Cuba and gave reasons for a belief he expressed that the ratification of the treaty would cause a rapid increase in the trade between the two countries. He said that on the basis of the commerce of 1901 the ratification of the treaty would cause a reduction of about $5,000,000 on the duty paid on Cuban imports and a corresponding reduction of about half that amount on American articles shipped to Cuba. He contended that the United States would secure an advantage in continuing, as the treaty does, the present free list, as under this arrangement there are about $3,000,000 worth of American goods admitted into Cuba free of duty, while only about $2,000,000 worth of Cuban goods come into the United States free. It was important, he said, that the free list be continued as at present; if there should be any change in the Cuban tariff the United States might be deprived of this advantage.

When Senator Cullom concluded, Senator Bacon offered one of the amendments of which he had given notice. It provides that "this treaty shall not take effect until the same shall have been approved by the Congress." This amendment is in line with amendments recommended by the Committee on Foreign Relations in connection with other reciprocity treaties and if adopted would require the House to act on the treaty. The amendment was not discussed. The Senate adjourned with the understanding that the treaty would be taken up to-morrow during the morning hours.

The official text of amendments to the treaty made by the Committee on Foreign Relations was made public to-day along with the text of the treaty. It shows an important variation from the text of the amendment as unofficially printed. According to the official print, the prohibition of lower rates of duty on sugar imported into the United States from other countries is confined to action by "treaty or convention."

House of Representatives.

The House transacted considerable business to-day. Several miscellaneous measures were passed, among them the Senate Hawaiian fire claim bill.

The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, the third of the regular budgets, was passed and sent to the Senate, and fair progress was made with the District of Columbia Appropriation bill. During the consideration of the diplomatic bill, McClellan, of New York, precipitated a discussion concerning our diplomatic and consular service which took a wide range and led to some rather scandalous charges against our consular representatives in Mexico by Slayden, of Texas. Mr. McClellan submitted figures to show that our consulates, compared with those of other first class countries, were under paid but overmanned. Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, declared the charges against our consular officials were unjustified, maintaining that it was the opinion of European publicists that we had the most efficient consular service in the world.

Mr. Slayden's criticism of certain consular officers was very severe. Some of the Mexican consulates, he said, were made regular items as "invalids and drunkards." "It makes an American blush," said he, "to hear the stories that are told of some of our official representatives." Proceeding, he narrated how a United States consul at Saltillo, Mexico, with two companions, last Summer entered the office of a newspaper editor to assault him.

Were any charges made to the State Department against this official?" asked Mr. Adams, of Pennsylvania.

"Charges have been repeatedly made," replied Mr. Slayden. "This particular official left town between night and morning while I was in the city." The particular vice of representatives, Mr. Slayden proceeded to say, seemed to be drunkenness, and in this connection he referred to the case of the special envoy sent by a Democratic President some years ago, who, he said, "got drunk at El Paso and painted a broad red streak down to the City of Mexico, 1,000 miles to the south."

He told also of another consular official, who, he said, some years ago pawned the American flag for 40 cents with which to buy drink, and the concluding chapter of his arraignment was the charge that an American vice consul had been charged with being implicated in the theft of some coal.

Quality is what makes price. If Burnett's Vanilla Extract was no better than other extracts its price would be the same. Once tried always used.

ANOTHER CRISIS IN VENEZUELA AFFAIRS.

Officials in Washington Deeply Regret the Firing Upon the Fort at Maracaibo by a German Warship

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 19.—Secretary Hay called upon the President early to-day. He also saw Secretary Moody, and it is supposed that these talks had reference to the Venezuelan situation, which is regarded as approaching another crisis, according to the news dispatches from Maracaibo. The officials here deeply regret the occurrence of an incident that would give rise to needless friction just as Mr. Bowen is about to arrive in the city of Washington to take up the negotiations with the allies for a settlement of the Venezuelan trouble. The officials here feel reasonably confident that Mr. Bowen is clothed by President Castro with sufficient authority to make whatever pledges are necessary to insure the removal of the blockade.

As to the raising of the blockade the allied powers have not committed themselves as yet. To do so, it is claimed would be to anticipate such a request on the part of Minister Bowen. Intimations have reached Washington that Italy and Great Britain are not inclined to favor a continuation of the blockade after the opening of the negotiations. Germany will be asked to consent to withdraw her ships provided Mr. Bowen presents that request. Should Germany refuse, Great Brittain and Italy will withdraw from the blockade.

It has been agreed that the claims of private citizens for injuries in Venezuela shall be the first to be adjusted. These claims, in the case of Germany, are believed to aggregate nearly half a million dollars, while those of Great Britain are between $200,000 and $300,000. All hope that the United States intends to standing surety for these obligations has been dismissed, and an attempt will be made to reach some arrangement by which these claims may be paid out of the customs collections of Venezuela, or in case Castro is able to extract a loan by the Venezuelan government direct. It developed to-day that cash payment would not be demanded, so far as Great Britain and Italy are concerned, these powers having expressed themselves as willing to show liberality in the collection of the indemnity provided a satisfactory guarantee by Castro is offered.

FIRE ON THE STEAMER MAIN.

Broke Out Soon After the Vessel Left New York for Bremen—The Flames Extinguished and Steamer Sailed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The North German Lloyd steamer Main, which left at noon to-day for Bremen, returned to quarantine shortly afterwards, smoke having been noticed issuing from the after hold. The hatches were removed and although no fire could be seen, it was decided to take out one hundred bales of cotton which were loaded in that part of the steamer. Fives bales of cotton were found burning. The flames were entirely extinguished by the steamer's force and the steamer again sailed.

Gustav H. Schwab, of the North German Lloyd, made the following report of the fire on the Main:

"Immediately the fire was discovered, the steamer was stopped and brought back to quarantine where she anchored. The hatch was opened and it was found that five bales of cotton in the upper part of the hatch compartment on the port side were burning. These bales were taken out and the flames, which were light, extinguished. Besides, sixteen bales more than had become wet by the use of fire hose were taken out of the hatch. Compartment five was then thoroughly examined by Captain Hoeller, Superintendent of the North German Lloyd, who arrived on a tug. Captain Braisted, commanding the fire boat New Yorker, and the captain of the steamer all were convinced that there was no further danger to be anticipated from fire, and the steamer could proceed on her voyage with perfect safety."

A METHOD OF RETALIATION.

Notice to Foreign Governments That Propose to Discriminate Against Us.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Senator Lodge to-day introduced a resolution directing the Committee on Finance to inquire whether certain countries are discriminating against the United States, and if so, what law should be passed to give to countries preferential duties which do not discriminate against this country. The resolution refers to the discriminations of France, Germany and Russia against the United States. It went to the table in order to give Senator Aldrich an opportunity to make a statement concerning the subject.

The resolution is intended as a notice to foreign governments that discriminate or propose to discriminate against the United States that this country will seek a method of retaliation. It is understood that the Senate Finance Committee would not attempt to originate legislation on the subject, but would prepare a plan.

TWO LOST THEIR LIVES.

And Other Persons Had a Narrow Escape in a Fire at Pittsburg, Pa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 19.—In a fire today on Fifth avenue, in which the monetary loss will not exceed $35,000, two persons were burned to death and a number of others had narrow escapes from cremation.

The dead are: Henry Trachtenburg, aged 70 years, an invalid, burned to death in his room; Miss Bessie Trachtenburg, wife of Henry, aged 73, rescued from the building and returned to save husband; she was overcome by the smoke and suffocated.

It was reported that many others were caught in the flames, but this proved untrue. Two families, those of Jacob and Simon Levin, the former containing nine children, and the latter three, lived upon the upper two floors. The firemen had an exciting and difficult task to rescue all, but finally succeeded. The fire originated through the carelessness of a five-year-old boy of one of the Levin families, who dropped a lighted candle in a heap of rubbish in an abandoned room.

CEDAR BLUFF, VA., Nov. 12, 1902.

We have sold Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic for the past 10 years. We know it has saved hundreds of long cases of fever and heavy doctors' bills and has saved the lives of hundreds of our own people. We keep it in our households.

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GONZALES DIED FROM HIS WOUND.

He Was Unconscious When the End Came and His Death Was Painless.

DEEP SORROW IN COLUMBIA.

Many Telegrams of Sympathy Received. An Autopsy Held—Coroner to Hold an Inquest Thursday—Arrangements for the Funeral.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 19.—At 1 o'clock this afternoon N. G. Gonzales died at the Columbia hospital. He was unconscious when the end came and death was painless. His wife, his three brothers, A. E. and W. E. Gonzales, of the *State*, and A. B. Gonzales, of Colleton, his sister, Harriet R. E. Gonzales, and members of the editorial staff of the *State* and his devoted surgeons were present.

The morning papers had informed the public that hope had been practically abandoned. A few minutes after the end came it was known all over Columbia. The whole city is deep in sorrow. There is no apparent anger, no display of excitement, but even to a stranger passing through the city the unnatural quiet at a time when the presence of the Legislature and the inauguration of a new administration should make it more than usually animated, would be noticeable. On the streets people talked in hushed voices of the great calamity and in the universal silent expression of sorrow all other emotions seem to be lost.

At 6 o'clock this morning, Dr. W. Gill Wylie, after consulting with Doctors Guerey and Barron and members of the family, in view of the hopelessness of other remedies, decided to try the experiment of the injection of formaldehyde, acting on information of the recent discoveries of Dr. Barrow of New York. The fluid was procured and prepared by an experienced druggist. At 7:30 Mr. Gonzales was conscious and the family was summoned, in anticipation of a possible unfavorable effect of the injection. At 9 o'clock the injection was made in the arm. It was known that favorable results in arrest of the peritonitis, if they would follow at all, would be at once manifest. But there was no improvement.

As time passed the patient's respiration grew weaker and the evidence of approaching death plainer. Just before the end the surgeons, by request, resorted to a second injection. There was a momentary strengthening of the pulse, but almost before the injection had been completed Mr. Gonzales was dead.

An Autopsy Held.

At 4:30 this afternoon an autopsy on the body was held by Dr. A. B. Knowlton, county physician, of Richland. By courtesy of Dr. Knowlton, Drs. LeGrand, Guerry and James H. McIntosh, who attended Mr. Gonzales, assisted. Other physicians present were B. W. Taylor, J. W. Babcock, Lewis J. Griffith, D. S. Pope, L. K. Philpot, F. A. Coward, D. T. Lancaster, R. W. Gibbes and Dr. Fishburne.

It is understood that the finding of the autopsy to be reported will in a general way be as follows:

"Sepsis due to a sloughing of the large bowel at and about the site of injury to that organ. The point of entrance of the bullet was on the right side of the abdomen, six inches below the right nipple and two and a half inches to the right of the middle line. The point of exit was on the left side of the abdomen, eight and one-half inches below the left nipple and nine inches to the left of the middle line. There was a slight injury to the front wall of the stomach. Every vital organ, including heart, kidneys, lungs, spleen, appendix, liver, bladder, etc., were examined and all found typically normal."

Surgeons attribute the death of Mr. Gonzales, as shown by the autopsy, to profound septic infection from the gangrenous condition of tissue consequent upon bullet wounds.

Coroner's Inquest.

At 5 o'clock Coroner Green empanelled a jury, with Allen Jones, a prominent business man, as foreman, most of the other members being well known business men also. The jury viewed the body, after which the inquest was adjourned until Thursday, at 8 P. M., when testimony will be heard in the county court room.

The body was then taken to the residence of Mr. Gonzales on Henderson street. Attorney Coleman T. Blease, who is said to be one of Colonel Tillman's lawyers, was present when the jury was at the hospital, but took no active part in the proceedings.

Soon after the death of Mr. Gonzales a telephone message carried the news to Captain Sligh, the county jailer, and he apprised Colonel Tillman. It is stated that the latter received the intelligence without any expression or betokening any emotion one way or the other. He was asked to-night if he would make a statement and replied through his brother-in-law, ex-Judge Buchanan, that he had nothing to say.

The Funeral.

The funeral will take place from Trinity Episcopal church at 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Right Rev. Ellison Capers, Bishop of the diocese of South Carolina, will conduct the rites. The active pall-bearers will be ten members of the *State's* force, including those members of the editorial who have been longest associated with him and representatives of other departments of the *State* office.

When the news that the end had come was bulletined to Charleston today, the flags on the buildings of *The News and Courier* and Charleston *Post* were at once placed at half-mast.

Throughout the day and to-night hundreds of telegrams of sympathy have poured in not only from communities, newspapers and citizens from all over South Carolina, but from many American cities, North and South. Among them were expressions from Hugh S. Thompson, of New York, ex-Governor of South Carolina, and Gonzalo de Quesada, the Cuban minister at Washington.

SOUTHERN YARN SPINNERS.

Call Issued for a Conference to Be Held in Charlotte Next Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., January 19.—A call was issued to-day for a general conference of all Southern yarn spinners to be held in Charlotte on Tuesday, January 27th. The call is issued by W. C. Heath, R. S. Reinhardt, A. P. Rhyne and J. J. George. The meeting is called to take such action as will improve the condition of Southern spinners, and in the meantime the committee suggests that caution be exercised in attempting orders.

The Senate amendments to the militia bill were agreed to yesterday in the House, which passed the bill.

INDICTMENTS AGAINST OPERATORS AND RETAILERS

Forty-five True Bills Found by a Chicago Grand Jury Against an Alleged Conspiracy of Coal Dealers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—A true bill was returned to-day against forty-five coal operators and retailers, charging conspiracy to do an illegal act, injurious to public trade. The indictments are against both corporations and individuals doing business in Illinois and Indiana.

Bail was fixed at $1,500. Accompanying the indictments was an explanatory report setting forth the grounds upon which the jurors based their action. The shortage, they declared they found due "primarily and principally to the recent great strike in the anthracite coal fields."

The railroads, they believed, were doing all in their power to move the coal promptly to market and the accumulation of coal laden cars in railroad yards does not exist to an unusual extent at this time of the year. "The jury finds no convincing evidence," the report reads, "of a deliberate detention of cars for the purpose of intensifying the difficulties of the situation.

While not finding the present condition due to or apparently influenced by any conspiracy in restraint of trade, and while convinced that the law of supply and demand sufficiently accounts for the high prices prevailing, the jury found that there existed in the city of Chicago and in Illinois and in neighboring States "certain combinations which seem to be conspiracies or combinations in restraint of trade within the meaning of the statutes."

Other associations of operators and coal dealers were found to exist and to have more or less effect in the fixing of prices and restricting competition, but against whom the evidence did not warrant action.

FIRE AT CHARLESTON.

Broke Out in Warehouse of the Standard Oil Co.—Three Firemen Injured

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 19.—A fire broke out in the warehouse of the Standard Oil Company, near the city's eastern water front, to-night. Forty-three barrels of oil were burned, and three firemen were badly but not fatally injured by the flames. Many of the barrels exploded, causing great consternation. A ten-thousand-gallon iron tank, about twenty feet from the burning building, held three thousand gallons of gasoline, and the fear of its catching fire was so great that the people near by deserted their homes and intense excitement prevailed in that part of the city.

Had it exploded the loss of life and property would have been very great. The fire is now under control.

GROUNDED ON A SAND BANK.

North German Steamer Lahn—Richmond Pearson a Passenger.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 19.—An unsuccessful attempt was made this morning to re-float the North German Lloyd steamer Lahn, from Mediterranean ports for New York, which grounded on a sand bank off Tumara Sunday morning. Her cargo is rapidly being discharged into lighters. Some of the passengers have alighted and are sight-seeing, but the majority remained on board.

GENOA, ITALY, Jan. 19.—Among the Americans who sailed from here for New York on the Lahn, was Richmond Pearson, United States minister to Persia.

FIRE AT CLEVELAND.

Two Apartment Houses Burned--Two Persons Lose Their Lives.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, January 19. — Fire early to-day destroyed two adjoining apartment houses near the corner of Euclid avenue and Andrews street, East Cleveland, resulting in the death of at least two persons and the injury of several others.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The fifty tenants of the two buildings were asleep when the flames broke out. A panic ensued among them when they were finally aroused and many were rescued with the greatest difficulty, nearly all escaping in their night clothing. The total loss is about $60,000, partially covered by insurance.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Senate yesterday confirmed the following nominations for postmaster: North Carolina—W. J. Flowers, Mt. Olive; W. H. Long, Roxboro.

New York capitalists have arranged to erect a $300,000 plant in Charlotte, for the reduction of gold ores. Arthur Brisbane is said to be one of the stockholders.

In reply to the offer of the citizens of Birmingham, Ala., of twenty-five car-loads of coal for the poor of New York, Mayor Low has wired that New York can care for its poor, but the city does want anthracite coal.

William E. Mickle, of Mobile, Ala., was elected adjutant general and chief of staff of the United Confederate Veterans by the executive committee of that organization. He succeeds the late George Moorman.

Soy Beans In Vermont.

A good many farmers seem exercised nowadays over soy beans. The Vermont station has grown the crop in a small way for several years. Its officers do not, however, feel like recommending its general adoption in this state. Seldom if ever can an amount of food be found equal to that which may be produced in the corn crop with an equal expenditure of time, effort and money. The forage from the soy bean is richer, but the quality is more than offset by the quantity loss as compared with corn. It is readily planted and is handled throughout the growing season much as is corn, but is less easily harvested. It may be fed green as a soiling crop or ensilaged alone or with corn. It may be planted in the row with corn with a fair prospect of success. Indeed, on good soil this is perhaps as good a way to grow it as any, while burial in the silo with the corn is its fit and appropriate end. But when all is said it is felt that Vermont is full far north for soy beans. If tried at all, they should be grown in a small way at first. For Vermont corn is king and clover queen. Alfalfa for the man who will put the time, energy, patience and money into it is the ace, but the soy bean ranks hardly higher than the eight spot.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

BEAN GROWING.

Cheap and Sure Methods of Securing Satisfactory Crops.

Good crops of beans cannot be raised on poor ground. Beans are hard on the land, and no field should grow two crops in succession. Good crops of beans are grown every year on wheat, oats and corn stubble ground, but years of observation and experience have taught me that the fields on which beans can be grown cheapest and surest, if properly handled, are those that were pastured or in meadow the previous season. Such fields take less labor to keep the crop free from weeds. They should be plowed early, while there is plenty of moisture, rolled and dragged often enough to keep down everything green until planting time, when the soil will be firm, moist and mellow, the ideal condition for the bean to germinate. Such partial summer fallowing is the only way to maintain sufficient moisture to carry the plant vigorously through any dry period that often overtakes it in its early stages, says a Michigan correspondent of American Agriculturist.

Many farmers raise excellent crops on stubble fields with no more and sometimes less labor, plowing the ground only in time to fit for planting. With plenty of moisture this will do, but with the droughts of June that our locality is subject to this method is risky. The best beans should be selected for seed. The pea variety is the only one we raise for market. The planting season is from June 5 to 25. The common grain drill is used for this work, drilling in rows twenty-eight inches apart. One-half to three-fourths of a bushel to the acre, according to condition of the soil, is planted.

With ordinary favorable weather the crop attains sufficient growth in ten days to be cultivated. If conditions are unfavorable and the plant starts slowly, it would be well to run over the ground with a spike tooth drag to keep the weeds from starting or to mellow the soil if it has been crusted. The tool generally used for cultivating is the two horse wheel cultivator of any standard make. If the soil has been properly fitted, two rows can be cultivated at once, ten acres being an easy day's work.

Cultivation should be done once a week until the bean begins to form. Some good farmers will not cultivate after the blossoms appear. My own experience has taught me that cultivation, though it be so late so as tear apart the vines between the rows, never lessens the yield, and further, as most of the bean ground is sown to wheat, it is a partial preparation for the wheat. Beans grow rapidly, and three to five cultivations are sufficient.

THE ONION UP TO DATE.

A Popular Crop and Its Culture by the Modern Method.

The onion is having a sort of boom in various sections just now as a good money crop. Onions, it is hardly necessary to state, may be grown from seeds or sets. Bailey has described up to date onion culture in brief as follows:

If seeds are used, they may be sown in the open ground where the bulbs

PRIZE TAKER ONION.

are to mature, or they may be sown in greenhouses or hotbeds and the young plantlets transplanted to the rows in the open ground. In sowing out of doors seeds should be put in as early as possible in shallow drills three to three and a half feet apart and covered with a half inch of fine moist earth. They need to be very carefully weeded at first, but if the ground is clean and mellow and the rows straight the wheel hoe will be able to take full charge of the work early in the season. It has been repeatedly shown that cheaper, better and earlier onions can be grown by transplanting the plants from greenhouses or hotbeds, where the seeds are sown very early. When the plantlets are as large as a lead pencil, they are set four inches apart in rows three feet asunder, and cultivation is immediately begun with the wheel hoe. In growing from sets the planting is made in much the same way. Multiplier or potato onions are similarly managed.

Prize Taker is probably the most popular variety of the present day.

A dose of Anways Croup Syrup might save baby's life, if given at beginning of attack. Croup is dangerous and Anways is safe, safer to have a bottle in the house. Thousands use and recommend it. Try it for baby's cough or cold. 25 cts. at Robt. R. Bellamy's Drug Store. †

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10c Madras in short lengths selling for 7c yard. A. C. A. Gingham at 6c per yard. Splendid Apron checks for 5c yard. Pee Dee Plaid—best quality for 5c yard. 1200 yards extra heavy and wide plaids at 5c yard. A plenty of Rockingham Homespun at 5c yard. The best quality of Sea Island Shirting at 5c yard. The best feather proof Bed Tick at 14c yard.

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Boys' Pants! Mothers, we can sell you Boys' Pants, made of all wool worsted and made with tape seams, for 50c a pair, all sizes.

Men's heavy working pants at $1 a pair; extra heavy, nice-looking pants at $1.25; we carry a big line of fine pants from $3 to $4 a pair. Heavy, all-worsted pants, worth $3, for $2.50 a pair. We have about 100 men's suits to close out—we need the room. Suits we sold for $7.50 and $8 we will sell for $5, strictly all-wool and nice looking; this is a chance to get a nice suit for $5, many of them for less than cost.

We also have a big line of boys' suits to sell out, good suits for little money; strictly all-wool suit for $2, and up; boys' heavy cheviot waists for 25c; white laundered waists with tape extension band for 50c.

Lap robes for baby carriages—a nice line of colors for 75c each; for buggies—a nice new stock that will run in price from $1.50 to $4.50 each, all pretty colors. A new lot of rugs just received: 4-4 Smyrna all-wool rugs for 75c; 5-4 size for $1.48, 6-4 for $1.98, 8-4 for $2.75 and 10-4 for $4.50. Art squares 37½c square yards; 7½ by 9 are $2.75 each; 9 by 9 for $3.75 each and 9 by 12 for $4.50 for each.

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A multitude of beautiful goods. A big sale of everything lovely to look at in Embroideries.

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Night Dresses, good Muslin, made well.
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Couch Covers with fringe all around.
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New Ginghams in Striped and fancy designs.
Persian Lawns in the latest novelties. Now is your time to buy.
New designs in Beadings for Trimmings in Hamburgs.
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Everything that ought to be in a first class Dry Goods House is at

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March 1st, 1899	$222,000
December 31st, 1899	354,000
December 31st, 1900	432,000
December 31st, 1901	684,000
December 31st, 1902	1,200,000

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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In all that makes a city, in all that builds a town
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